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Service for a Term of Years, "... "three fifths of all other Persons." They call us persons, but they acknowledge property in us. "Chrishians" of every stripe, praying to God, as prayers are said here every morning. They even had prayers at that convention, I've been told. And despite those prayers, they engaged in the sacrilege and the blasphemous conduct of ensuring in their constitution that black people would not only be held in slavery, but deemed, pursuant to the constitution, to constitute no more than three-fifths of a person. I then go, in this same article, to Section 9. "The Migration or Importation of such Persons as any of the States now existing shall think proper to admit, shall not be prohibited by the Congress prior to the Year one thousand eight hundred and eight, but a Tax or duty may be imposed on such Importation, not exceeding ten dollars for each Person." When they talk about migration or importation, they're talking about the slave trade. white people very capable and ingenious at selecting euphemisms? Migration, importation. But you import commodities. You import products. I hate this country. I hate this constitution. I hate the history of this country. White people, with blood of my ancestors dripping down their jaws like bloody-jawed wolves, writing a constitution which is supposedly the high mark for Western civilization. So when you all sit around here, and you're putting up the flag, and you're praising the troops in Iraq and everywhere else, I'm thinking about what was done to black people in this country, and still is being done now. And you all, when one of your little bills is I function. attacked, almost lose your mind. But I want to read to you And in the same way you all go what's in your constitution. through the "Bibble," periodically I read through the constitution, because it is the politician's "Bibble." To remind myself that this is not just some nightmare, not some surrealistic misrepresentation of the bastion of freedom and respect for human rights. I'm now going to go to Article IV, Section 2. Fugitive slaves.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: "No Person"...I've been talking nine minutes already? Mr. President? I've been going nine minutes already?